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Previous references.
CB 113-22-3 (Comptl. Gl. No. 34-22)
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CB 113-22-647
CB 113-22-14415
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CB 113-22-24413
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Later references.
CB 59-5-1144, 546
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CB 59-5-9410
CB 59-5-11412

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 24 to 40

Part B for March 1925

SUBJECT

Contingent charges incurred by Mr. C. Ramgamathan on his deputation ~~to England~~ Rao Saheb to England.

To The Comptroller, Mysore Govt
The Govt Director & Secy to the Board of Management Bhadravathi Iron Works.
No 2265-6 Dy 20/3/25
Directs that the sum of £ 16-13-4 be debited to the budget of the Iron works.

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To

The Comptroller, No 3553 T.A.D.3. B 21.9.23.

Request sanction for admitting in audit the contingent charges incurred by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib in June & July 1923 as the limit prescribed for such charges has been exceeded.

The charges incurred are as follows:-

	Limit fixed in G.O. B 11.6.23.	Actual expenditure in June 23	Actual expenditure in July 23
Establishment charges:	3 guineas a week (13½ ₹ a month)	₹ 18-0-0.	₹ 22-5-6
Mis. charges such as cable, postage & Stationery.	₹ 2 a week. (₹ 8½ a month)	₹ 6-15-1½ d	₹ 23-3-11
Total contingent expenditure.	₹ 25 a month	₹ 24-15-1½ d	₹ 45-9-5

In addition to the above expenses, the Comptroller has disallowed a sum of ₹ 13-4-7 in June and ₹ 22-6-8 in July in accordance with instructions given in G.O. dated 31st Aug 23.

Mr. Rao Sahib has incurred an expenditure of ₹ 18 in the months of June & July on account of salary of Secretary & ₹ 21-1-1½ for Postage & Cables in July 1923.

Submitted for orders.

Draft submitted as instructed by the Chief Secretary.

Draft approved 3/10/23

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25	To The Comptroller, No 1128 & 4th Oct 23 Requests that the original statement of accounts & vouchers for June & July may be sent for reference.
26	From The Comptroller, No 406 & 8.10.23. Request sanction for admitting in audit the contingent expenditure incurred by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib in England during August & Sept 1923. The original statement of accounts & vouchers for June & July 1923 called for in D.O. (letter & 4th Oct 1923) have not yet been received. Their receipt will be awaited. Submd. 13.10.23
27	From The Comptroller, No 413/I.A.D-3 & 12.10.23 Forwards the original statement of accounts & vouchers for June & July 1923. From the Statement of Accounts, it is seen that charges amounting to £ 15.13.0 have been incurred on account of cables & postage to Mysore. The charges incurred in August and

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September are as follows :-

	August.	September.
Establishment charges	18-0-0.	4-10-0. (* Salary of Secretary
Mis. charges - (postage, cables & Stationery)	17-14-2½	
Total expenditure -	35-14-2½	4-10-0.

On August, a Charge of about £10 has been incurred on account of Postage & Cables to Mysore.

The Comptroller states that the expenditure amounting to £ 8-11-8 incurred in France cannot be admitted in audit without details of charges incurred being furnished.

The items disallowed by Comptroller for Septr. 1923 include the following two items also.

Sample spoon & fork sent to Mysore —	£ - S - d 0 - 5 - 8.
Postal order to Wappin & Webb.	0 - 0 - 1½
	0 - 5 - 9½ d

The other items which have been disallowed are in accordance with instructions given in G.O. dated 31st Augt 1923.

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A statement showing the details of items disallowed by the Comptroller is also put up.

Submitted for orders.

Asst
17/10/23

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Orders have now to be passed on the accounts for the months of June, July, August September. The limit of expenditure per mensem has been fixed at £ 25. -For establishment £13½ for office expenses such as postage, cable and stationery £ 8½, for miscellaneous £ 3.

The accounts received show that not only has the maximum limit been exceeded, but charges on account of items which may not be separately charged for have been included. As regards the latter, it may be pointed out that when the rate of £ 2 a day was sanctioned it was intended to cover all expenditure incurred by Mr. Rao Sahib for official purposes including office and room rent and all incidental expenses. Payments to establishments and office contingencies could alone be separately billed for.

The following statement gives a clear idea of the situation:

Month.	Total amount claimed.	Amount disallowed by Comptr.	Amount spent on legitimate items.	Maximum limit of expenditure fixed by Govt.	Excess.
	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
June	37-19-8½	13- 4- 7	24-15- 1½	25- 0- 0	
July	67-16-1	22- 6- 8	45- 9- 5	25- 0- 0	20- 9- 5
August	62-13- ½	18- 7- 2	44- 5-10½	25- 0- 0	19- 5-10½
Septr. (3 days)	7- 2-8½	2-12- 8½	4-10- 0	2-10- 0	2- 0- 0

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Specific instructions issued by the R. Rao Sahib. He is requested any explanation for the excess expenditure to be called.

Seen

Subject to draft order

A/ The increase of Rs 60 per annum varied each month -

Draft on the file

for L & M. 6/.

may be allowed

Dy Secy to Govt

Dy Secy to Govt

A draft order is submitted

The office rent was being paid at £ 4-4-0. a week, and there is no change in the rate. But the number of weeks for which payment was ~~was being~~ made every month varied. In June from 6th to 30th, rent was paid thrice, in July 5 times and in August 4 times. So, there is a variation in the rent paid during these monthly payments. Placed

Put A, plan on ~~file~~ below

28/11/23. Draft order is put up for sanction

Ch Secy

Secy

Dy Secy

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. 28 NOV 1923
Reg. No. 2790

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C.P. File No. 113 of 1922.

Serial No.	
28	G.O. no 1601 dt 8.11.23. Disallows certain excess expenditure incurred in the months of June to Septr. 1923 and requests the comptroller to take early steps to recoup the amount i.e. to Govt.
29	Form Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, letter dt 18.12.23 Explains the circumstances under which he could not restrict his office expenditure in London to £ 25 a month and ~~to~~ requests that the Comptroller may be authorised to pass the statement of accounts as furnished by him. Submitted with references for orders. Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib has returned the leather case purchased by him for his use in England, out of Govt. money & also his notes taken by him. to the Chief Secretary. Mr R. R. Sahib's letter dt 8.11.23 regarding disallowance made by the Comptr and the fact in his accounts for the period 6th June to 3 Septr. His total bill for the period (slightly under 3 months)

22/12/23 To be placed before Mr Rutherford

Returned

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amounts to £ 175. 11. 6½. The Comptr disallowed items totalling £ 56. 11. 1½ as per details in the 8th. below. Pending any explanation which the appt might offer the first also disallowed the excess over the limit of £ 25 per month fixed therein. This disallowance amounts to £ 45. 3. 9. & the amount passed is £ 73 - 16. 8 against £ 175. 11. 6½ claimed.

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about fixing the appt rent at £ 25 Mr Kaosalik says he wrote the Govt immediately after passing the F.V. on the subject & was told that any representations he might make in his return would be considered.

first passed a limit of £ 8½ a month for calls, postage & stationery. The amount actually spent was £ 34. 4. 10 for calls £ 6 - 9. 9½ for postage & £ 7. 12. 6 for current appt expenditure mostly stationery — a total of £ 48. 7. 1½ or an average of over £ 16 a month. The Excess is mostly over calls, and assuming that the calls were really necessary the amount claimed under this head is well

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as under portage) may be allowed. A considerable saving under calls might have been effected if possible that the officer accepted a Code. Under current officer expenditure, the actual cost of stationery may be allowed, but not such it was which, under the above scheme an enhanced daily allowance are payable to the meet the officer himself.

B. The entire charge for officer cannot have to be allowed as the enhanced daily allowance of £2 was specifically intended to cover officer etc.

C. The expenditure on Stenographers was £18 in June, £22-5-6 in July & £22-10. in Aug. against £13-10 allowed by letter of 11.6.23. This appears very high, and it seems that a Stenographer was kept on with Land officer when the officer was away & Rameshwaram employed a Stenographer there & sometimes two Stenographers were employed. If an extra efficient servant can do the work for less the amount claimed may be allowed

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Somejar by the amount shown as miscellaneous expenditure in the account of the Iron Works not is for consideration whether instead of debiting the cost of the deputation to the Secretariat & the S. O. Party alone, a portion of the cost might not also be debited to the Iron Works.

by
8/1 xx

Draft

Put up: Check debiting party thereof. To form rates the Secretariat might perhaps be consulted.

Extract from the Cuttack Gazette by Rao Saheb is with papers. In it there is no indication that Govt. moved Secretariat especially whether could go on Expenditure Paper. Check may record when in regard papers marked A B & C with the exception as follows

A. 7. 12. 1 C. Three 4/ Who is allowed
B 10/and no allowance

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(Extract received on 11.1.24.)

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C. B. File No. 113 of 1922.

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Serial No.

DESPATCH OFFICE.
Recd. on 11 JAN
Reg. No. 4773

Can be put.
C. Sleeping letter all
may be put.
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Order received on 11.1.24.

Two drafts are submitted.

Orders 16.1.24.
Received up by
17.1.24

Instructions taken on 17.1.24

Cost of the current Office expenditure now proposed to be disallowed by Govt (£ 7-12-6) in certain items have been already allowed by Comptroller & Govt. The following statement explains the position:—

Account no		Amount claimed. £ s d.	Amount allowed. £ s d.	Disallowed by Comptroller £ s d.	Excess (Debit)
Statement	IV	1-9-6	0-17-2	0-12-7	3 d.
"	V	1-18-9.	0-12-9½	1-6-8	8½ d.
"	VI	4-4-3.	0-9-4½?	4-3-10½	
		7-12-6	1-10-4	6-3-1½	0-0-11½

Office rent amounting to £ 4-4-0 has also been allowed once (vide Statement II).

The details for the expenditure incurred in France have been given in ~~the~~

Informally ascertained from the Comptroller's Office.

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Statement V. But, it seems that the same expenditure had again been included in Statement VI (without details) ~~furnished~~ furnished by the Comptroller. In the detailed statement now furnished by Mr. Rao Sahib, this item has not been included in Statement VI.

The draft to Govt Director has been revised as instructed.

Submitted for orders.

Govt
28/1/24.

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Manager
3/6/24

To

30 The Comptroller & Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib
M.O. No. 3685-1 R 5-6-24

Passes orders about the adjustment of contingent expenditure incurred by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib.

To

31 The Govt Director, Mysore Iron Works, Bhadravati.

Requests whether in the circumstances explained about a third of the contingent expenditure incurred by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib may be debited to the budget of the Iron Works.

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Serial No.	From
32	The Secretary, Board of Management, Mysore Iron Works

D.O. letter no D. 1189 /24 & 20.6.24

States that there is no objection to the cable charges and £ 2-10-0 paid for duplicating copies of a note being debited to Iron Works account, but that the Board see no reason why one third of the office contingencies should be charged to the Iron Works.

Submitted for orders.

Asst Mr 25/6/24

Subs 25/6

(Chief Secy).

What is the cost of cable charges re Iron Works? Please submit draft enquiry to Iron Works Secretary's proposal specifying the amount by 26/6

Information re cost of cables sent to Iron Works is not available here. It may be available in the Comptroller's office.

Submd with a draft D.O. to Comptroller.

Asst Mr 27.6.24

Subs 27/6

	To
33	The Comptroller to Govt - D.O. no 3772 & 28.6.24

Calls for a statement showing the amount spent by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib on cables addressed to the Govt Director, Iron Works.

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Serial No.	
34	From The Comptroller, no 1265/TAD B & 23.6.24 Forwards copy of a statement showing adjustments of the total contingent expenditure incurred by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib & states that separate action is being taken with regard to the recovery of the amount still due to Govt by him. Submitted Govt Mr 28.6.24. (Chief Secy). Only 30/6 Seen 1/7
35	From The Comptroller - D.O. no 23 TAD B & 7.7.24 States that the information about the amount spent ~~on cables~~ by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib on cables addressed to the Govt Director of the Bhadravati Iron Works is not available in his office. Submitted with a draft to Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib as suggested by the Comptroller, for approval or other orders Govt Mr 9.7.24. Time Early 9/7
36	To Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib no 33 & 9.7.24 Requests him to furnish the above information.

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WD 2310—G.P.B.—10,000—31-5-24

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Serial No.

37 From

Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib. D.O. dt. 26.2.25.

States that the Comptroller can easily furnish the information by a reference to the vouchers in his possession.

Draft to Comptroller submitted for approval or other orders.

Draft 5.3.25. Bruce

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38 To

The Comptroller - no. 2196 dt. 6.3.25.

Forwards copy of the above and request him to furnish a statement showing the amount spent by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib on cables sent to Bhadrawati

Sus.

39 From

The Comptroller - no. T.A.D.A. 1059 dt. 12.3.25.

States that from the vouchers received in his office, it is seen that charges of telegrams sent to Bhadrawati have come to £ 12-3-4d and that no further particulars are noted therein.

A draft G.O. in accordance with the Chief Secretary's note dated 26.6.24 is submitted for approval or other orders. The file may perhaps be sent for personally Rev Secy before issue of draft. Draft 19.3.25. Murray 3

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Chief Secy Rev Secy with Comptroller's

Murray 3 18/3/25 Secy

General and Revenue Secretariat. | C.B. File No. 113 of 1922 — 1506

Serial No. 40

G.O. No 2265-6 - 8 - 20-3-25 -

Directs that the sum of £14-13-4 be debited to the budget of the Iron works.

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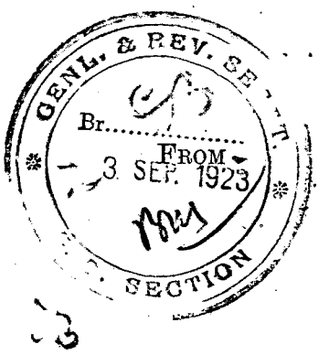
CB 511
C.B. 113-22-24

Please address all future communications to the Comptroller to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.
In reply to this Comn. please refer to
No. 353 TAD B

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.



Dated, Bangalore, the 21st Septr *1923*.

T. SATYARAJ CHETTY, ESQ., B.A.,
Comptroller to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

K. Matthan Esq., B.A.,

Chief *Secretary to the Government of Mysore.*

Bangalore ~~Department~~

SIR,

I have the honour to state that Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb has submitted another batch of accounts of expenditure incurred by him during the months of June and July 1923 and the same will be audited and adjusted as per instructions conveyed in the Government Order No.651-2/C.B.113-22-23 dated the 31st August 1923.

2. The following is the classification of charges included in the above accounts:-

Particulars of charge.	June 1923. £ sh d	July 1923 £ sh d
1. Salary of Secretary	18- 0- 0	18- 0- 0
2. Typist ...	-	4- 5- 6
3. Hire of Typewriter	1-10- 0	1-10- 0
4. Postage & Cables	3- 8- 8½	21- 1- 1½
5. Books of References	0-17- 0	-
6. Miscellaneous	0-19- 5	0-12- 9½
Total admitted	24-15- 1½	45- 9- 5
Disallowed	13- 4- 7	22- 6- 8
Total Bill	37-19- 8½	67-16- 1

3. As the limits prescribed for Establishment charges and the total

total contingent expenditure to be incurred in a month have been exceeded, special sanction of Government is necessary for admitting the charges in audit.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Comptroller.

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.....Department

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FROM

T. SATYARAJ CHETTY, ESQ., B.A.,

Comptroller to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

.....ESQ.,

Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,

Dept.

Dated

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G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT.....

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*Diary No. of letter replied to*_____

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 4th Oct. 1923

Signed by Rt. T. V. Anantharam

Section C. B.

File No. 113 - 22

Serial No 5

No. 1128

To

The Comptroller to Govt

Sir,

With reference to your letter no. 353 TAJ B & 21st Sept 1923 about the contingent expenditure incurred by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib in the months of June & July 1923. I am directed to request that the original statements of accounts and vouchers for the expenditure incurred by him may be kindly forwarded to Govt for perusal & return.

over. I have etc.,

For chief Secretary

Govt
1/10/23.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

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CB. 616.

In reply please refer to No. 406/TAD B/23

Comptroller's Office, Bangalore,

Dated the 8th October *1923*.

CB 113-22-26

K. [illegible]than Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the
Government of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.353/TAD B of the 20th ultimo I have the honour to forward herewith in original a statement of expenditure incurred by Mr. C.Ranganatha Rao Saheb in England during August and September 1923 amounting to £ 69-15-9 together with the connected vouchers.

2. Charges amounting to £ 20-19-10½ in respect of items Nos.2, 8, 9, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 33, 37, 39 and 40 in the statement of account, are inadmissible as per Government Order No.651-2/C.B.113-22-23 dated 31st August 1923 and they will accordingly be disallowed.

3. Item No.18 being the expenditure amounting to £ 8-11-8 incurred

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

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In reply please refer to No. 413 TAD B 6/888

Comptroller's Office, Bangalore,

Dated the 12th October *192* 3

CB 113-22-27.

K. Matthan Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith, in original, statements of accounts of Expenditure incurred by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb during the months of June and July 1923 together with the connected vouchers for favour of perusal and return as desired in your letter No.1128/CB 113-22 dated the 4th instant.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Comptroller.

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SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

Section C.B.

File No. 113-22

Serial No. 29

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

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Date of issue.....8/7/23.....

Signed by.....S. S. Lingaraj.....

May this be

i Printed?

ii treated as a standing order?

iii published in the Gazette English part?

iv translated?

v placed at the disposal of the press?

vi published in the Gazette Kannada part?

Read.— G.O. No 534 G-50/C.B. 113-22-16 dated 11th June 1923 limiting the total contingent expenditure to be incurred by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib in London ~~at~~ to £ 25 a month.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No 413/T.A.D.B. & 12th Oct 23 from the Comptroller to Govt submitting ~~Order Thereon:— No.~~ for orders the statements of account of expenditure incurred by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib in the months of June, July, August & Sept. 23.

over.

Order. Rev. 1601/C.B. 113-22-28

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In the G.O. read above, the limit of contingent expenditure per mensem has been fixed at £ 2.8 — for establishment £ 13½, for office expenses such as cable charges, postage & Stationery £ 8½, for miscellaneous expenditure £ 3.

The following Statement shows the amount claimed by and the amount admissible to Mr. Ramanatha Rao Sahib.

Month	Total amount claimed	Amount disallowed by Comptroller	Amount claimed on ~~illegitimate items~~ allowable items.	Minimum limit of expenditure fixed by Govt.	Excess.
	£ s d				
June (6th to 30th).	37-19-8½	13-4-7	24-15-1½	20-16-8 (for 25 days).	3-18-5½
July	64-16-1	22-6-8	45-9-5	25-0-0	20-9-5
August	62-13-½	18-7-2	44-5-10½	25-0-0	19-5-10½
Septr (3 days)	4-2-8½	2-12-8½	4-10-0	~~4-10-0~~ (for 3 days)	2-0-0

It will thus be seen that not only has the maximum limit been exceeded, but charges on account of items which may not be separately charged for have been included. In accordance

List of enclosures.

Copied by

Examined by

~~[illegible]~~ instructions given in q.o. No

~~and~~ 65-1-27/C.B. 113-22-23, dated 31st

Aug 1923, the Comptroller has

disallowed such items. ~~His~~ Pending

the ~~receipt~~ of any explanation from Mr

Ranganatha Rao Sahib ~~has not~~

~~given any explanation~~ for the

excess expenditure ~~incurred by him~~

~~Govt therefore direct that~~, in

view of the specific instructions

issued to ~~Mr Ranganatha Rao~~ 'him'

~~Sahib previously~~ about contingent

expenditure, the excess expenditure

of £ 3-18-5½ a ~~in~~ June, £ 19-5-10½

~~of £ 20-9-5~~ in July, in August and £ 2 in Sept^r 23

will also be disallowed in addition

to the amounts disallowed by

the Comptroller. The excess expenditure

of £ 19-5-10½ in August includes

a sum of £ 8-11-8 being the

expenditure incurred in France for

which no details are given.

~~Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib is requested~~

~~to furnish details for the above~~

~~expenditure, for further orders of Govt.~~

The Comptroller to Govt

is requested to furnish a

statement showing the details

of advances sanctioned to

Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib from

Amounts disallowed by Comptroller.

June 6th to June 30th.

	£.	s.	d.
Note pad	0-	2-	3
Refills	0-	1-	0
Fares to Bank	0-	0-	2
Newspapers	0-	3-	1
Fares to office of Madras Mail	0-	0-	4
Fares to Bank	0-	0-	4
Fares to Bank	0-	0-	2
Newspapers	0-	1-	7
Fares to Bank	0-	0-	4
Newspapers	0-	1-	7
Supplies for Teas	0-	1-	9
Office rent ...	12-	12-	0
Total...	13-	4-	7

0. 12. 7.

July 1923.

Messenger's fares	0-	0-	5
Fares to Bank	0-	0-	2
Newspapers	0-	1-	7
"	0-	1-	7
Office Teas	0-	11-	6
Fires	0-	2-	0
Signwriting	0-	5-	6
Messenger	0-	0-	5
Newspapers	0-	1-	7
Fares to Bank	0-	0-	2
Newspapers	0-	1-	7
Fares to Bank	0-	0-	2
Office rent	21-	0-	0
	22-	6-	8

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August 1923.

Newspapers	0-	3-	1
do	0-	1-	7
Fares to Bank	0-	0-	2
Teas	0-	11-	9
Messenger's fares	0-	5-	8
Newspapers	0-	1-	7
Fares to Bank	0-	0-	3
Messenger's fare	0-	0-	2
Newspapers	0-	1-	7
Newspapers	0-	4-	8
Office rent	16-	16-	0
Cablegram(excess)	0-	0-	8
Total..	18-	7-	2

1. 11. 2

2. 12. 8 ½

6-3-1 ½

September 1923.

	£.	s.	d.
Sample spoon and fork sent to Mysore	0-	5-	8
Postal order	0-	0-	1½
Tips to office servants	1-	7-	6
Teas	0-	15-	6
Messengers	0-	3-	11
Total...	2-	12-	8½

Amount Disallowed by Comptr (in addition to the above) in G.O. no 1601 & 8.11.23.

	£	s	d.
June -	3	18	5½
July -	20	9	5
August -	19	5	10½
(includes £8-11-8 expenditure incurred in France for which no details are given).			
Sept[r] -	2	0	0
	45	13	6

53-12-8

2-12-8

53-30-13½

Ref'd for papers sent to Dewan's Office file recd on 21.12.23

CB.1052

C.B. 113-22-29

To

K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to Government,

Bangalore.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of the Government Order No. 1601/C.B. 113-22-28 dated the 8th November 1923 passing orders on the accounts for contingent expenditure submitted to the Comptroller by me while on deputation in England and directing that all expenditure in excess of the sum of £25 per month fixed for the purpose in Government Order dated the 11th June 1923 should be disallowed pending the submission of any explanation from me. The Government Order fixing the amount of contingent expenditure in the London Office was received there early in July, and I submitted to the Dewan in my next weekly report (No. 19 dated 5th July 1923) that this amount was fixed without any relation to the conditions of maintaining an office in London and that the expenditure on only three of the standing charges, on which no possible savings can be effected, viz., (i) the rent for office, (ii) the salary of the typist, and (iii) the hire of a type-writer, which had all been determined with the approval and in fact, on the recommendation, of Messrs. Coutts & Co., amounted to as much as £. 36-6-0 per month. As even the standing charges excluding the outlay on cables, postal and stationery charges were themselves much above the maximum expenditure fixed for all charges by Government, I recommended that the Government Order should be revised. I suggested that, if Government were not prepared to incur the necessary outlay as recommended by Messrs. Coutts and Co., who have intimate knowledge of the business conditions in London, I may be instructed to close the office, as I saw no means of keeping it open unless Government were prepared to sanction the necessary minimum expenditure. At the same time, I suggested that the firm may be addressed if Government desired to verify my statements. I also submitted at the same time an explanation of

the position in greater detail in a personal letter to the Dewan. In reply to my report, I received the following instructions from the Dewan in his letter dated 23rd July 1923:-

"It is not necessary to enter into any controversy regarding your office expenses and any representation you wish to make on the subject will be duly considered on your return."

K 2. The Government Order of the 8th November refers only to the accounts for contingent expenditure submitted from the month of June to the 3rd of September when the office was closed. I beg, however, to submit in this explanation a review of the entire expenditure incurred on Government account since my arrival in London on the 25th February to the date the office was closed on the 3rd of September. The following statement shows the total charges incurred as incorporated in the accounts for contingent expenditure submitted to the Comptroller from time to time together with the periods within which they were incurred and the dates on which each of the accounts was submitted.

No. of Acct.	Period within which expenditurewas incurred.	Total amount. £.	Date on which acct. was sent to Comptroller.
SIS 6 ✓ 7 1.	26th February to 19th April.	29 11 2	19th April.
SIS 9 ✓ 16 2.	20th Arpril to 2nd May.	23 18 1	7th May.
SIS 21 ✓ 28 3.	3rd May to 6th June.	57 10 2½	7th June.
4.	7th June to 30th June.	37 10 8½	5th July.
5.*	1st July to 31st July.	67 16 1	9th Aug.
6.	1st August to 3rd Septr.	61 4 1 ?	6th Septr.
Total.	26th Febry. to 3rd Septr.	277 19 4	

(*) Includes details for expenditure of £.8-11-8 incurred in France between 22nd May to 3rd June and 10th June to 24th June.

(It is also included in the amount shown against Statement 6 which was for 69-15-9 including 8-11-8 expenditure in France)

3. A small temporary office was opened on the 30th April after receipt of telegraphic orders from the Dewan in response to my representation that a separate office had become necessary both in view

of the increase of work and the inconveniences attendant on the carrying out of regular official work in a hotel. The expenditure included in the first two statements was practically incurred before the opening of a separate office and that included in the subsequent four statements, after such an office had been opened. The charges before the opening of a separate office and those after its opening may be classified as follows:-

	Amount.	Period.
A. Expenditure before opening a separate Office.	£.53 9 3	9 Weeks
B. Expenditure after opening this Office.	224 10 1	18 "

The average expenditure after opening the office proved to be double that incurred before such an office was opened. But the financial advantages to Government of this office more than compensated for its cost in regard to which reference will be made later on. Of the expenditure of £. 277-19-4, a sum of £. 4-9-6 was recovered by sale of office materials, refund of charges etc., and this sum is included in £. 8-4-1 credited on the 3rd September to ~~the Mysore Government Account in~~ Messrs. Coutts and Co. The actual net expenditure incurred by Government for office expenses was therefore £. 273-9-10-

4. The total gross expenditure of £. 277-19-4 may be classified under the following eight heads. The statement also gives particulars of the amount under each head in each of the six accounts, I submitted to the Comptroller.

Statement showing particulars of the amounts spent under ~~xxxxxx~~ the various heads in each of the six accounts submitted to the Comptroller.

No. of acct.	Cables.	Postage.	Stenographer.	Hire of typewriter.	Office rent.	Initial office expenditure.	Current office expenditure.	Mis. Ex.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
I	11 13 0 *	2 0 10 *	10 16 9	1 10 0	--	1 13 0	1 17 7	--	29 11 2
II.	7 15 7½	0 16 1½	3 10 0	1 10 0	4 4 0	5 8 5½	0 13 0½	--	23 18 1
III.	2 11 1½	1 9 0½	17 10 0	1 10 0	21 0 0	6 17 9½	2 14 10	3 17 5	57 10 2½
IV.	1 11 8	1 17 3½	18 0 0	1 10 0	12 12 0	0 19 3	1 9 6	--	37 19 8½
V.	18 14 6	2 7 4	22 5 6	1 10 0	21 0 0	--	1 18 9	--	67 16 1
VI.	13 18 8	2 5 2	22 10 0	1 10 0	16 16 0	--	4 4 3	--	61 4 1
Total.	56 4 7	10 16 7½	94 12 3	9 0 0	75 12 0	14 18 6	12 17 11½	3 17 6	277 19 4

(*) The division of the amounts under the two heads, Cables and Postage, is only approximate as I do not possessthe vouchers, which are with the Comptroller for an absolutely correct classification. But the total of the two items is the total of the charges under the two heads in this account.

5. The total amount spent on cables is £. 56-4-7. The receipts of the telegraph offices have in every case been submitted to the Comptroller. Before proceeding on deputation, I was instructed to cable to the Dewan for instructions on every matter of urgent importance which could not be put off till the time required for instructions to reach me by the weekly mails. As my work increased, I was in direct communication not only with the Head of the Administration, but also with the Assistant Secretary to H.H. the Maharaja, the Chief Engineer, (Irrigation), the Director of Industries, and the Government Director of the Bhadravati Iron Works to all of whom and particularly the last officeseveral cables mostly at their request were sent in connection with the work of their departments. I have no doubt they will testify, if required, of the urgency of the information contained in the cables addressed to them and the necessity which existed for their being communicated by cablegram.

6. I must, however, beg permission to state that in guaging of the expenditure under this and other heads, it should be remembered that I had to attend to official work in a foreign country of which I had no previous experience and in which I had no one on whose disinterested advice I could wholly rely, although I feel bound to state that Messrs Coutts and Co., and particularly, Mr. Davidson, the Officer in charge of the Asiatic Section of the work of this firm, was always willing to give me advice and assistance whenever required. My work was more or less of a commercial character and I had no alternative butto adopt the methods of reputable business houses with which I soon got into touch. I mention this fact in order to make clear that in judging of my expenditure, it would be utterly unfair to apply the standards worked out for Indian Office methods and that the ordinary rules of the Civil Account Code are utterly inapplicable in judging expenditure of an office carried on on the lines of a business house in London. With reference to this character of my expenditure, I wrote in my personal letter to the Dewan on the 4th July as follows:-

"I can well believe that the charges may seem high to our Mysore Officers, who have naturally no notion of the cost of running a London Office, but I am sure that if the Dewan will graciously scrutinise the figures, he will see that there has been no extravagance at all. But if he is still of opinion that the charges are not justified, I beg that before orders are passed directing me to meet them all out of my pay, the accounts may kindly be sent to Messrs. Coutts & Co., or if this firm should be considered to have been committed in view of my having obtained their previous approval before incurring several of the charges, I suggest that these accounts may be sent to any other London firm for scrutiny and report. Nothing is more painful to me than to make this suggestion to my Government, of whom I fondly hoped hitherto I was one of the most - trusted officers. But my duty to my family makes it necessary that I should beg for this procedure to be adopted before it is called upon to bear any portion of what would most undoubtedly be held here as legitimate Government expenditure."

The following extract from my personal letter to the Dewan is pertinent to the expenditure on cables:-

"The expenditure on telegrams is a criterion of the quantity and importance of work done. When the controlling authority is thousands of miles away, and the ordinary mail takes more than a fortnight for one journey, it is inevitable that the expenditure on telegrams should be large. The expenditure on telegrams should be more than re-couped by saving in expenditure in the purchase of stores or by increased revenue. If ever Govern ment should decide to have a London Office, they should make generous provision for expenditure on cablegrams. This is the invariable experience of every organization, official, private or commercial, which has dealings with India.

"In order to save all avoidable expenditure on cablegrams, I have always sent them at half the usual cost, by adopting the deferred rates. A further slight saving can be effected by

adopting a Code. I shall in future adopt the Bentley's Code, but I beg to state that during the two months I remain in London some discretion may be allowed to me to send whatever cablegrams I consider it necessary to dispatch in the interests of Government, and I feel convinced that this expenditure will be more than repaid several times over by saving in other directions. I make this suggestion solely in the interests of Government."

I have no doubt that the conviction I expressed above will be fully borne out by the testimony of the Heads of Departments for whom I did business in London.

7. Postage, Registration and Messenger charges. The total expenditure under this head is £.10-16-7½. Shortly after my arrival in London, I put myself in touch with the Federation of British Industries in order to obtain direct connection with manufacturing Houses and my circle of correspondents in England rapidly increased. With the help of the Office of External Trade, Paris, to which I was specially introduced by the French Trade Commissioner in Calcutta, I obtained special introductions to a number of French Manufacturing Houses also, so that my French correspondence also rapidly developed. The expenditure under this head not only embraces the postal and registration charges on letters to all my English and French correspondents and to the officers in Mysore, but also includes all fees paid to messengers employed for special purposes. As my office staff consisted only of a single stenographer, a special messenger had to be employed either from the International Office Service Co., from whom I had engaged a room, or the District Messenger Co., who hire out messengers for duty. The messengers were required to send out samples of the Iron Works products, Mysore art-ware and materials for the dinner service etc., required by the Government House, Mysore in connection with the visit of His Excellency the Viceroy.

8. The total expenditure under Stenographer and Secretary is £.94-12-3. When I first arrived in London, I obtained the assistanc of a Stenographer kindly lent by Messrs. Coutts and Co., free of

charge. The firm intimated to me after about aweek that they could not spare their stenographer any longer and referred me to the Royal Typewriter Company from whom I engaged the services of a stenographer for three hours every week day except Thursday, on which day -- being the Indian Mail day -- her services were required the whole day. As the stenographer was not employed the whole week fully, I obtained her services for £.2-12-6 per week. But this lady was very incompetent and I was informed that these job workers were always unsatisfactory. Meanwhile my work was growing rapidly and I had repeatedly to rely on the assistance of the stenographers of Messrs Coutts and Co for extra work. As this arrangement was exceedingly unsatisfactory, besides being irksome to Messrs Coutts and Co., I applied under their advice for the services of a whole-time stenographer to the Cavendish Employment Bureau, where I was informed efficient stenographers can be obtained. I hired the services of a stenographer from this Bureau from the 21st April at £.3-10-0 a week. Early in June, this stenographer wanted £.4-10-0 a week. She was much more efficient than the stenographer I had had before and had moreover saved any expenditure on translations as her knowledge of French enabled me to get the work of translating all my French correspondence done by her. I referred her application to Messrs. Coutts and Co., who strongly advised me, in view of the conditions of the labour market, to give her the increased wages demanded. I have sent her application as well as the recommendation of Messrs Coutts and Co., to the Dewan with my weekly repoft No. 15 dated 7th June. I therefore paid my Stenographer and Secretary £. 4-10-0 per week from 2nd June.

Before I opened the office, I used to discharge the Stenographer engaged in London when I went to France. For work in France, I engaged the services of a stenographer there at the rate of 15 francs an hour. After the office was opened in London, the Stenographer and Secretary was of course retained for carrying on the current duties of the office while a special stenographer was engaged for

work in France at the usual fee. I may mention that in all I went thrice to France from London and that I spent 39 days in that country on the whole. The expenditure under this head includes not only the @@@ salary paid to the Stenographers I engaged in London, but also the wages of the stenographers hired from time to time in France.

9. Hire of type-writer. The total expenditure under this head is £. 9-0-0. When I engaged the services of a stenographer from the Royal Typewriter Co., I hired a typewriter from them at their usual fee of 10 shillings per week. Later on, however, I was able to obtain the use of a type-writer on cheaper terms from the Noiseless type-writer Co., at the rate of £1-10-0 per month from the 19th April.

10. Office rent. The total expenditure under this head is £.75-12-0 for 18 weeks at the rate of £4-4-0 per week. For the first few days after my arrival in London, I used to see visitors and business people either at Messrs. Coutts and Co., or the Smoking Room of the hotel I was putting up at. I found that Messrs. Coutts and Co., were not always able to spare a room for me and the arrangement of seeing business visitors in the general smoking room of a hotel proved to be very inconvenient. I then arranged to hire a special room whenever I had engagements at the rate of £ 0-12-6 per day. I carried on my office work in my own room in the hotel. This hotel -- Cannon Street Hotel -- is situated right in the City and the rooms are adapted for some office work being done therein. This arrangement also broke down as it was exceedingly inconvenient to employ a stenographer in the bedroom of a hotel all day long, and Messrs. Coutts and Co, with whom I was in constant touch, advised me to open a regular office. I consulted Mr. Bhore on the subject and he gave me the same advice. I then sent a cablegram to the Dewan and obtained his permission to open a small temporary office. A room in the International Office Service Co., was obtained for me by Messrs Coutts and Co., at the rate of 4 guineas a week.

11. Although the Office was opened after receipt of telegraphic instructionsfrom the Dewan, the rent has been disallowed by the Comptroller on the plea that my daily allowance of £.2 covers all charges on account of office rent. On the subject, I cannot do better than quote what I have already written to the Dewan in my personal letter to him. I wrote as follows:--

"In their recent order, Government have been pleased to remark that the charges of rent on account of the office should be paid out of my daily allowance. I believe this order is based on my representation, submitted to the Dewan in my letter written - about the end of March, regarding the enhancement of my daily allowance. I had stated in the letter that my ordinary daily expenditure varied from £1-10-0 to £1-15-0, and to this had to be added the charges on account of a visitors' room at £0-12-6 a day, whenever it became necessary to engage such a room temporarily. I therefore suggested a consolidated rate of £2 a day covering all charges which Government have been pleased to sanction. I have no representation to make regarding this rate, or the charges that should be met out of the allowance, until the date of the opening of an independent office for Government work. The Dewan remembers that he directed me to put myself in touch with all the business organizations that might be useful to Mysore, and it was his opinion at the time of my deputation that a Mysore Officer should keep in touch with work in - London for at least six months in a year. When I attempted to carry out the Dewan's instructions, I found the work so growing and my business engagements became so numerous, that I could not possibly attend to office work in a hotel. I have referred to it in my weekly reports and do not wish to take up the Dewan's time by repeating it here again. I therefore cabled to the Dewan for permission to open an independent Mysore Office. I need hardly point out that there was no need to cable and obtain permission if all the expenditure in connection with the rent of the office should have to be met out of my daily allowance. It is obvious that the expenditure involved in the establishment of

a separate office has nothing in common with the hiring of a room for visitors for two or three days in the week. When one is away from London, say on the Continent, there is no need for reserving any room in the hotel but an independent office once opened cannot be closed simply because one happens to go to the Continent on business. As my expenditure in France has been particularly heavy, owing to numerous social engagements, it would be ruinous for me to have to pay the office rent in London at the same time. I beg to state that my expenses have been far higher than I originally estimated. Most of the business is attended to in London over the dinner and lunch and I have felt it impossible to avoid the social obligations involved in the European system of doing business. I have carefully worked out all the expenditure I have incurred since I arrived in London, and I find that while my expenses have been £.276-2-5, my daily allowance at £2 a day and actual Railway fares will give only £.265-1-0 and I am already out of pocket by 11-1-5. If Government should hold to their decision that I should pay the office rent and all office expenses beyond £25 a month as recently ordered, it would simply mean the imposition of a fine of more than 1/3 of my salary. I cannot believe that Government wish to penalise me for all my work. I do not wish to say anything further on this subject, and leave it to Government to to pass whatever orders they deem just."

I do not wish to add anything to what I have already written to the Dewan. I may mention that the Essenflours Ltd., are allowing their representative, Mr. Sitaramachar, a monthly allowance of £100 and he finds that it barely suffices the needs of a business life in London. I feel it necessary to add that it would have been absolutely impossible to sell all the crude Methyl Alcohol of the Bhadravati Iron Works, a product which was considered as totally unsaleable, realising over Rs. 60,000 to Government, if I had not adopted the usual conventions of a business life which brought me in intimate contact with commercial men in London. It is considera-

considerations like these which, although readily understood and provided for by business men, do not easily appeal to Government who are apt to accept all advantageous business engagements entered into on their behalf as a matter of course and look with suspicion on all expenditure that business methods inevitably involve should the expenditure be not strictly conformable to the rules of the Civil Account Code.

12. Initial Office Expenditure.-- The total expenditure under this head is £.14-18-6. The items included under this head relate to general office equipment and consist chiefly of things that are absolutely required before any office can be started. No separate grant was made for starting an office and things had to be bought as they were required. The chief items of expenditure are

(1) a single drawer filing cabinet with folders and file guides for filing papers.		£.3-10-0
(2) A leather case for carrying about papers.		£.0-11-3
		1 15 0
(3) Letter trays.	...	0 14 0
(4) A date-stamp.	...	0 8 0
(5) Pencil sharpener.	....	0 5 0
(6) A cash box.	...	0 4 0
(7) A few ledgers, a blotting pad, some ink wells etc. etc.		

The engagement fee of £1-1-0 paid to the Cavendish Employment Bureau is classified under this head. The filing cabinet was sold for £.1-15-0 and the leather case will be returned to the Secretariat as ordered by Government. The other materials were sold soon -- soon after the office was closed and the proceeds credited to -- Messrs Coutts and Co., as already stated.

13. Current Office expenditure.-- The total expenditure under this head is £.12-17-11½. The items included relate mostly to stationery for current office work and the other miscellaneous charges in a London Office. The charges are mostly petty.

14. Miscellaneous.-- The Miscellaneous expenditure is -

£3-17-5. A sum of £2-10-0 was paid to a firm for duplicating 50 copies of a Note I had prepared on the Bhadravati Iron Works for distribution to firms interested in the Iron Works products, and £0-18-8 were the charges for translating into English one of the notes I had received by the Office of External Trade, Paris. This was the only instance in which outside assistance was called for translating French correspondence, this work having been usually done by my stenographer. A sum of £0-8-9 was paid to a typist who had on one occasion to be engaged on a mail day when work was unusually heavy and a single stenographer was found insufficient.

I have endeavoured to review my office expenditure in London explaining, as clearly as I can, the grounds for the chief items of outlay, and classifying the whole amount under appropriate heads in order that the relative importance of each of the heads may be clearly brought out. I have incurred this expenditure in the best interests of Government and in perfect good faith. As I have stated already, I was entrusted with work of a commercial character and I had no alternative but to run the office on the lines of a small business office in London. I therefore beg to submit that the test to which this expenditure should be subjected is to inquire whether I have exceeded this standard in any particular item and if not, whether all this outlay has resulted in more than proportionate financial return to Government. In my personal letter to the Dewan, I have already requested that my statement of Account may be forwarded to any London Office to ascertain whether the items of expenditure are not entirely normal and I beg this procedure may be adopted now if Government are not satisfied with my assurance on the subject. I feel that this is justly due to me before I am subjected to the expense and the ignominy of having to meet any part of the expenditure which I incurred on behalf of Government in all honesty of purpose and in their best interests. I have already alluded to the financial advantages that Government have derived by having had an office in London. The crude methyl alcohol produced by the

Bhadravati Iron Works was considered to be unsaleable by experts like Mr. Perin and Mr. Fergusson and the Government Director of these works wrote to me in London that their chief immediate problem was the dis-posal of this product. I investigated into the market conditions of wood alcohol in London and arranged for the sale of the entire stock the works then had on hand. It is obvious that would have been impossible if there had not been an office in London. Again, the order for steel piping for the Bethmangala Water Works at a total cost of £6,250 (c.i.f.) was placed at my instance and was personally admitted by the Chief Engineer as effecting a saving of about Rs. 25,000 to Government. The quotation obtained by me in London for the piping inclusive of cost insurance and freight was cheaper by an amount equivalent to about Rs. 25,000, than the lowest quotation obtained by the Chief Engineer in Bangalore. The saving was solely due to the Office as the firm with whom the order was placed was not the firm recommended by the London Consulting Engineers of the Government. I have no doubt that the Director of Industries will testify to the saving he has effected in respect of the order for the soap machinery placed for him hy me in London and the Assistant Secretary to His Highness the Maharaja has repeatedly expressed to me his appreciation of the low cost and the high quality of the goods I obtained for the Government House in connection with the Visit of His Excellency the Viceroy to the State. The savings effected in these transactions is several times the expenditure incurred by Government on their London Office and I cannot believe that Government really intend to saddle the officer instrumental in effecting these savings, the expenses of their London Office, but for the establishment of which these savings would have been impossible. I do not propose to refer in this connection to the rebate of Rs. 75,000 obtained from Messrs. Kerr Stuart and Co., as a result of my deputation for, I am submitting a separate representation to Government in this connection. Even excluding this, I beg to submit that the financial advantages derived by Government from the business concluded while they had their London Office is such as to amply justify all the expenditure they have

incurred on it.

In conclusion, I venture to submit that I had pointed out as soon as I received the order that it was impossible to run an office in London on £.25 a month. The office was run on business lines with the advice of a firm who have intimate knowledge of the conditions of the labour market. It was run as economically as possible and has resulted in effecting savings, many -- times the expenditure incurred and I beg to submit therefore that Government may be pleased to authorise the Comptroller to pass the Statement of Accounts submitted to him.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C Ranganatha Rao Sahib

Bangalore,
18th December 1923.

Extract from D.O. Letter No. 467 dated the 14th of June 1923 from the Dewan, to Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, Special Officer, on Deputation.

..... Your estimate for office expenses is much too high and I hope you have been able to cut it down. You must economise in contingencies and cable charges.

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Extract from D.O. letter No. M. 64 dated 23rd July 1923 from the Dewan, to Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, Officer on Deputation.

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It is not necessary to enter into any controversy regarding your office expenditure and any representation you wish to make on the subject will be duly considered on your return. .....

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SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 5/6/24

Signed by C.S. Rajaswamiengar

May this be

i Printed ?

ii treated as a standing order ?

iii published in the Gazette, English Part ?

iv translated ?

v placed at the disposal of the press ?

vi published in the Gazette, Kannada Part ?

Two drafts.

Section C.B.

File No. 113-22

Serial No. 30

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read—

G.O. no 1601/C.B. 113-22-28 dt 8th Nov 23. passing orders on the account for contingent expenditure from 6th June to 3rd Septr 23 incurred by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib while on deputation in England.

2. Letter dt 18th Decr 23 from Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib requesting that in the circumstances explained the contingent expenditure in excess of £ 25 a month incurred by him may be allowed.

Order Thereon ~~No~~.

Order No 3685-6/C.B. 113-22-1
BY S/6/24.

In G.O. no 5349-50/C.B. 113-22-16 dt 11th June 1923 the total contingent expenditure to be incurred by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib in England

limited to £ 35 a month —
£ 13½ for establishment, £ 8½ for
office expenses such as cable charges,
postage & stationery, & £ 3 for
miscellaneous expenditure. The
amount actually spent by dir.
R. Rao Sahib ~~on stenographers~~ was
£ 62-15-6, ~~and~~ for the services of
stenographer, £ 34-4-10 for
cables, ~~and~~ £ 6-9-9½ for
postage and £ 7-12-6 for
current office expenditure. Of this £ 1-10-4 has been already allowed & the
complr ~~£~~ 6-3-1½ has been
disallowed

Govt are pleased to direct that
all the above expenditure except
the last item (viz, £ ~~7-12-6~~ 6-3-1½) Some have already been allowed
be allowed in audit as a
special case. The entire charges
for office rent amounting to
£ 50-8-0 will be disallowed
as the enhanced daily allowance
of £ 2 sanctioned in G.O. No
5190-1/C.B. 113-22-8 & 10th May
1923 was specifically intended
to cover office rent also.

List of enclosures.

Copied by

Chief Secretary.

Examined by

To

The Comptroller to Govt

Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib

Govt
16.1.24.

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2 drafts

D.O. 3687
C.B. 113-22-31/Encl 1

D 5/6/24

Dear Sir,

I am desired to forward the accompanying extract from a report of accounts of expenditure incurred by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb while on deputation in England from which it will be seen that he did some work connected with the Mysore Iron Works there. The Govt had to incur an expenditure of about £ 200 for contingent charges on account of a special office in London. This is in addition to the office rent, deputation charges such as salary, daily allowance & T.A. of the Officer. I am desired to request whether in view of the business transacted in London in connection with the Mysore Iron Works, a portion of the contingent expenditure

(X portions marked in pages 5, 13 & 14 of Mr. Ranganatha Rao saheb's letter dated 18th Dec 1923).

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K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

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27th June 1924.

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Chief Secretary to Government

of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Bangalore.

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In this connection, I am to add that the Railway Department has transferred to us a debit for about Rs.900 on account of Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib's deputation and we are in correspondence with the Comptroller regarding the correctness of this charge.

It will be a convenience if you will kindly advise us in case there are any further liabilities that the Iron Works may be called upon to meet in connection with this deputation, so that the question may be settled once for all.

Yours faithfully,

Madhava Rao.

Government Director & Secretary,
Board of Management.

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Yours faithfully,

G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 28/6/24

Signed by Sd. K Matthan

Section C. B.

File No. 113-22

Serial No. 33

D.O. No. 3772

To

The Comptroller to Govt.

Dear Sir,

I am desired to request you to kindly furnish Govt with a ~~detailed~~ statement showing the total amount spent by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib while on deputation in England on cables addressed to the Govt Director of the Bhadravati Iron works; & the Bd of Management has agreed to meet the cost of the calls

Yours Sincerely,

Chief Secy.

over.

Sent
27/6/24.

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C.B. 113-22-34

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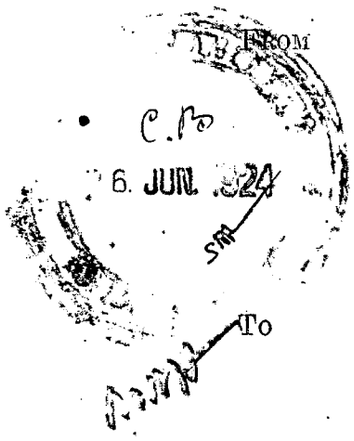
Please address all future communications to the Comptroller to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Myscre.
In reply to this Comn. please refer to
No. 126 5 TAD B 24 one.

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Dated, Bangalore, the 23rd June *1924*.



FROM

T. SATYARAJ CHETTY ESQ., B.A.,

Comptroller to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Myscre.

To

K. Matthan Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

Bangalore.

SIR,

With reference to Government Order No.3685-6/C.B.113-22-30 dated the 5th June 1924, passing final orders on the accounts of Contingent expenditure incurred by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib from 6th June to 3rd September 1923 while on deputation in England, I have the honour to enclose herewith, for the information of Government, a copy of statement showing in detail, adjustments of the total contingent expenditure incurred in England by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib, who has also been furnished with a copy of the same.

2. Separate action is being taken with regard to the recovery of the amount still due to Government by him.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Comptroller.

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Detailed Account of Expenditure incurred by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib during his deputation in England.

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1. Account of Expenditure incurred from Feb.26th to Apr.18th 1923 forwarded with his letter dated the 19th April 1923 ...	£ 29-11- 2		
Amount disallowed ...	-		
Amount admitted.	----------	£ 29-11- 2	
2. Account of Expenditure incurred from Apr.19th to May 2nd 1923 forwarded with his letter dated the 7th May 1923 ...	23-18- 1		
Amount disallowed being the charges for removal of office and rent from Apr 30th to May 7th (Vrs.15 & 19) 4/6/4 ...	4- 8- 4		

Amount admitted		19- 9- 9	
3. Account of expenditure incurred from May 3rd to June 6th 1923 forwarded with his letter dated the 28th June 1923 ...	57-10- 2½		
Amount disallowed, being the charges on account of rent (21/-), teas (0/11/5) messenger (0-6-6½), Newspaper (0-3-5½) Note Book and refill (0-3-3), Appointment pad (0-2-6), Overprinting (0/17) and Fines (0/7) (Vrs.6, 9, 12, 18, 20, 23, 26, 28, 29, 30, 32, 40, 41, 51, 54 55 & 56) ...	23-11- 2		

Amount admitted		33-19- 0½	
4. Account of Expenditure incurred from June 7th to June 30th 1923, forwarded with his letter dated the 5th July 1923	37-19- 8½		
Amount disallowed being the charges on account of rent (12/12) Newspaper (0/6/3) fares to Bank etc (0/1/4,) Teas (0/1/9) Note pad & refills (0/3/3) and excess in total (0/0/0½). Vrs. 1,11,12,14,15,17,19,20,23,25,30,32, and 33) ...	13- 4- 7½		

Amount admitted		24-15- 1	
5. Account of Expenditure incurred from July 1st to 31st 1923 forwarded with his letter dated the 9th August 1923.	67-16- 1		
Amount disallowed being the charges on account of rent (21/-) Newspaper (0/6/4) Teas (0/19/5) & fines, messengers fares (0/0/11) ... Vrs.2,3,8,10,11,14,20,21,24,26,32,34,38 and 41) ..	22- 6- 8		
Amount admitted		45- 9- 5	

6. Account of expenditure incurred from Aug.1st to September 1923 forwarded with his letter dated the 6th Septr-1923 ... £ 62-12- 6

Amount disallowed being the charges on account of rent, (16/16) Teas (1/7/3) Fares & Messengers (0/10/2), Newspapers (012/6) Double Claim (8/11/8) Excess claim (0/0/8) Spoon & Postal order (0/15/9½) Tips to servants (1/7/6). (Vrs. 2,8,9,12 15,18,19,22,26,33,33A,37,39,40,41 & 42) 29-11- 6½

Amount admitted £ 33- 0-11½

Total £ 186- 5- 5

or R^s 2,664-0-0

at the rate of 1sh 4 25/32 current in the month of May 1924, during which adjustment is effected in the books of this office

Deduct Advances outstanding:-

G.O.Sanctioning Advance No.	Date	Amount of Advance.	Equivalent in R^s as intimated by Coutts & Co
4239/C.B.113-22	20- 1-23	£ 50/-	or R^s 730- 0- 7
5388/ " 113-22	23- 5-23	30/-	or 445-10- 4
5549/50/ " do	11- 6-23	50/-	742-11-11
2696/C.B.113-22-2	8-11-22		1,500- 0- 0

3,418- 6-10

Balance R^s -754- 6-10

Omitting pies as per recent orders of Government, R^s 754/- represents the amount payable to Government by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib on the above account.

The above transactions do not include the sum of £ 145-19-6 being the overdraft allowed by Messrs. Coutts & Co., London, outstanding against Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib's account with them, as intimated to this office by the Bankers in their letter No.J/LD 20 dated the 10th September 1923. He has to pay that amount separately to the Bankers at London.

Deputy Comptroller.

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C.B. 113-22-35

D.O.No.23 TADB

Office of the Comptroller in Mysore,

Bangalore, 7th July 1924.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O. letter No.3772 C.B.113-22 dated the 28th June 1924 asking for a statement showing the total amount spent by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib while on deputation in England on cables addressed to the Government Director of the Bhadravathi Iron Works, I write to say that the information furnished by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib in his statement of accounts does not contain particulars for compiling the statement required by you. The total amount spent by him on cables comes to £56-19-11 and most of them have been merely noted as "cables to Mysore", the names of the addresses being omitted. It is only in his statement of account for the month of August 1923 that clear mention is made of having sent two cables to Bhadravathi on the 3rd and the 24th August 1923 amounting to £1-15-0 and £2-13-4 respectively. It cannot therefore be definitely stated how many more cables addressed to the

Government

Government Director of Iron Works have been included under these to "Mysore". I would therefore suggest Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib himself being addressed to furnish the information.

Yours sincerely,

I Satyamurthy

Comptroller.

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K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 9/7/24

Signed by Asst. C S I Rly Branch

Section C.B.

File No. 113-22

Serial No. 36

No. 33

To

C. Ranganathan Rao Sahib Esqr,
Gen. Superintendent, Bhadravati Iron Works.

Sir,

I am directed to invite reference to para 5 of your letter dated 18th Dec 23 about the contingent expenditure incurred by you while on deputation in England in which you have stated that several cables were sent to the Govt Director of the Bhadravati Iron Works at his request in connection with the work of this department. I am to request you to kindly furnish

over.

report with a statement showing the total amount spent by you on such cables, as the Board of Management has agreed to meet the cost of the cables.

I have etc,

No. 21.

Sd
9/7
for Chief Secretary

Sent in
9.7.14

List of enclosures.

Copied by

Examined by

No. 2053/C.B. Dt 24/2/25

Dear Sir,

I am desired to invite reference to letter No. 33/C.B. 113-24-5 dated 9th July 1924 and the subsequent reminders calling for a statement of the amounts of the amount spent by you on cables sent to the Bhadravati Iron Works while you were in England and to request you to let me know when the statement may be expected.

Yours sincerely

24.2.25

To

C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, B.A., B.L.
Government Director
Mysore Iron Works
Bhadravati

23/2/25

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* (1) No. 556/C.B. Dt 1-9-24
(2) " 1048/C.B. Dt 30-10-24
(3) " 1148/C.B. Dt 24-11-24.

Another reminder is sent.

23/2/25

THE MYSORE IRON WORKS
BHADRAVATI

CD 113-22-37

C-B 27.2.25

CD-1442

26th February 1925.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your D.O. letter No.2053/C.B. dated 24th February 1925 requesting for a statement of account showing the amount spent by me while in England on cables to the Mysore Iron Works. I have sent to the -- Comptroller along with my contingent bills all receipts obtained in payment for cables sent by me and as the copies of the contingent bills with me do not in every case show the names of the addressees to whom the cables were sent, I am not in a position to furnish the information required. The Comptroller can easily furnish the information by a reference to the vouchers in his possession. If however copies of the contingent bills are required, I shall be glad to send them.

Yours sincerely,

C. Rangamanna Rao Sahib

B. Ramaswamaiya, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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, *the* 191 .

Date of issue 6/3/25

Signed by Sir. V. Venkatesa Iyengar

Section C.B

File No. 113-22

Serial No 38

No. 2196/Genl/CB

To

The Comptroller to Govt

To

~~Dear~~ Sir,

With reference to your D. O. letter no 23/TAD.B. dt 7th July 1924 suggesting that Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib may be addressed to furnish the information about the amount spent by him while on deputation in England on cables addressed to the Govt Director, Bhadravathi Iron works, I am directed to forward copy of a letter received from Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib on the 27th Feb. 25 in

over.

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CB. 1506.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

CS. 113-22-39

In reply please refer to No. TAD.A.1059.

GENL. & REG. SECTT. D. CS 13 MAR. 1925 SECTION.

Comptroller's Office, Bangalore,

Dated the 12th March *1925*.

To B.Ramaswamaiya, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Offg: Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.2196/CB.113-22 dated the 6th instant, asking me to furnish, if possible, a statement showing the amount spent by Mr.C.Ranganatha Rao Saheb while on deputation in England on cables addressed to the Government Director, Bhadravati Iron Works, I have the honour to state that from the vouchers received in this office from him, it is seen that the undermentioned telegrams have been despatched to Bhadravati. No further particulars are noted therein.

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SUBJECT.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

Section C.B.

File No. 113-22.

Serial No. 60

General and Revenue Secretariat

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

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Date of issue.... 28/3/25

Signed by Asst. D. Venkatesa Iyengar

Read—

G.O. no 3685-6 | C.B. 113-22-30 dated 5th June 1924 passing final orders on the account of contingent expenditure incurred by Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Sahib from 6th June to 3rd Sept 1923 while on deputation in England.

2. ~~Correspondence~~ Letter no D. 1189/24 dated 20th June 1924 from the Govt Director & Secretary, Board of Management, Mysore Iron works, stating that the Board ~~is agreeable~~ has no objection to have ~~the~~ charges of cables sent to them by Mr. Ranganatha Rao Sahib from England and also a sum of £ 2-10-0, the amount paid to a firm by him for duplicating copies of a Note on the Bhadravati Iron works, ~~being~~ debited to Iron works Account.

Order Thereon No

May this be

i Printed ?

ii treated as a standing order ?

iii published in the Gazette, English Part ?

iv translated ?

v placed at the disposal of the press ?

vi published in the Gazette, Kannada Part ?

3. Correspondence ending with letter no T.A.D.A. 1059 dated 12th March 25 from the Comptroller to Govt reporting that the charges of telegrams sent by Mr. Ramanatha Rao Sahib to Bhadrachalam amount to £ 12-3-4

Order no. 2265-6/C.B. 113-22-40 dt 20/3/25

Govt direct that as agreed to by the Board of management, Singareni Iron works, the above sum of £ 14-13-4 be debited to the ~~receipts~~ budget of the Iron works and debited towards the account of the contingent expenditure which has already been ordered to be allowed in audit.

List of enclosures.

Chief Secretary
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To

The Comptroller of Govt

Govt Director & Secy to the Board of Management, Iron works

Copy to Govt Branch — Sent on 20/3/25

Govt Mr 17/3/25.

Copied by

Examined by

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